

SPORTS

PETE HERMAN SAYS PAL MOORE IS THE TOUGHEST BANTAM

CHAMPION WINS.

Peoria, Ill., April 28.—Pete Herman, bantam champion had a hard go here last night with Kid Herman, of Pekin, Ill. The champion got the best of it, but the Kid held him even for the last four or ten rounds.

If Pete Herman, bantamweight champion of the world, is correct in his deductions, the 116 pounders of the country are the best balanced and most evenly matched lot of boxers we have had in any single class in a long time. He believes there ought to be more real interest in this division than in any other for the simple reason that almost any one of a half dozen men appear to have an excellent chance to win the title.

Now, mind you, Pete doesn't figure on losing his title very soon although he is going to give all of them a shot at it—and in twenty round battles to a decision, too. But he isn't figuring on even a single "soft one" in the entire stock.

"Lots of people have suggested to me that I must, of course, think that Johnny Williams of Baltimore, the man I won the title from, is the toughest of the lot," Pete said in discussing the situation. "While I gave Johnny lots of credit for being a great little man, I don't regard him as any harder to beat than some of the others."

"As a matter of fact I have discovered since I have been champion that there are dozens of great little ones spread out all over the country. Some of these men have never been heard of outside of their own districts, yet they are mighty close to champion ship material."

"The trouble with most of the bantamweights is that they are not bantams. They either will not or cannot make the weight. Most of them weigh 115 pounds and some of them even go up as high as 120 pounds. Frankie Burns, an undoubted great boxer, has grown heavy and so, too, I think Williams has. Johnny Coulon is still small and so is George Thompson, the Pacific coast star. Pat Moore is a little giant and about the toughest of the whole division."

"Williams looks like a middleweight so muscular is he, but it is a strange thing about him that he is easy to knock over. He seems to be top heavy. Either that or he gets his feet crossed and twisted when going at high speed. I had little trouble in flooring him. So I notice others have done the same thing."

Fred Welsh once remarked that "they grow over night," which is true in Herman's case. The first time I saw him I was refereeing for him and Johnny Williams in a ten round battle in New Orleans, three weeks after Johnny had upset Coulon for the title. I felt sorry for Pete for he looked like a little child against the sturdy Williams. Pete weighed only 111 pounds that night but he was able to take care of himself beautifully."

STREATOR TO QUIT RACING GAME NOW

With Ottawa and Aurora's withdrawal from the racing game comes the announcement today that Streator will abandon the turf sport. This statement came from A. S. Johnson upon his learning that Aurora too has fallen in line with Ottawa in quitting the game for a year at least. Streator realized that with Aurora and Ottawa out of the circuit that few of the fast "hounds" would make this part of the state on their campaign for laurels.

SAY WAR HURTS THE FISTIC GAME

Garry, Ind., April 28.—Is the war killing boxing? That's what the promoters of the big fistic show at the Elks Club here last night think. With four bouts on the card only \$800 worth of spectators showed up and inasmuch as the boxers fought for guarantees the promoters were forced to dig to pay off. In the principal bout K. O. Brown, of Chicago, lambasted Joe Herick, of Kewanee, Ill. Herick claimed a foul and refused to answer the going for the fourth round. Charley Seely in ten rounds had the edge on Clinto Flynn. Salora Freedman made it unpleasant for Frankie Lynn. Walter Jacobson shined Rabbit Hedlin.

BOWLERS SET NEW MARK.

World's Record For Doubles Made by Satorius and Hoksuh.

A new world's record in the doubles was made at the American bowling congress tournament at Grand Rapids Mich., by Gus Satorius and William Hoksuh of Peoria, Ill. Their score was 1,346.

McCaughy and Peachey of Indianapolis recently made a record for the bowling congress when they turned in a score of 1,314. The former tournament record for all classes of competition was 1,342. It was scored at Chicago recently by the Berendach brothers, competing in the Knights of Columbus tournament.

Each of the Peoria stars had one error. Satorius had a total of 888, and his scores were 254, 214 and 223. His teammate bowled 180, 237 and 233.

JACKSON IS AFTER SPEAKER'S SCALP

Heavy Hitting Outfielder Wants to Lead League.

BUT THEN THERE'S TY COBB

Inauguration of Baseball Season Precipitates One of Hottest Scraps in American League Dash For Top of Batting List—Lively Race Also in National League.

Tris Speaker's sudden elevation to the heights of batting championship, sought many years by Joe Jackson, is likely to precipitate one of the hottest scraps in the American league dash for the top of the average list this year that Ban Johnson's or any other man's circuit ever saw.

Joe struggled along for years, cracking the leather on lots of baseballs and attaining dizzy batting heights, but Ty Cobb was always just good enough to pull out in the lead. Speaker came along, not set with a new club, and hit 'em so fast and often that Cobb was forced to look on from a rear seat, while Jackson merely looked on in third place.

Joe has issued his challenge for this year. He says the name once boasted by a president of the United States is going to be right at the top when Ban B. promulgates this summer's most important list in the lives of batters. Cobb, he says, may be second, or even Speaker may get that far, but he has served warning that Joe is going to ride the winning horse.

Cobb also has made some passing remarks in which he intimated that there isn't going to be glory without a few sprints in the summer. He has set his eyes on that batting championship and wants it badly enough to stretch his legs hard for every blow.

Cobb, so one story has it, was a very much disappointed peach when the last season was over and the customary Cobb was lacking at the head of the American league averages. He had acquired such a Ben Adhem habit that it was hard to let go. He was grieved and somewhat astonished to observe that it wasn't Jackson who challenged him, but Speaker, main cog in a machine which shouldn't have placed him that high.

And just to keep competition from growing stagnant and carrying all interest to the younger league the National league probably will fling a little dust around in staging its battle for leadership. Jack Daubert, long recognized as king, didn't like it a bit when he was nosed out a year ago. He likes his hits perhaps better than any other star in the game, so he promises to give Hal Chase, Roger Hornsby, Lew McCarthy and some other aspirants the climb of their young lives for John K. Tener's heaviest batting average.

All around it should be a busy little season for the average fiend.

YANKEE ROBINSON SHOWS OFFER MANY NEW FEATURES

An elaborate composition of words, with confusing generalities, circus words particularly, convey no special meaning, unless substantiated by convincing facts.

Yankee Robinson's 3 ring wild and mal circus comes to Ottawa on Thursday, May 3.

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lions are given in the big protected steel arena; there are scores of educated ponies, dogs, riding monkeys, brown bears, herds of elephants; Col. Hobbs' educated horses led by Tanko Chief, all blue ribbon winners at the last Boston horse show. Battling Nelson and his athletic show will be seen twice daily.

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Love and Marriage.

"Why won't you marry me?"

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"Why need that matter? We'd simply have a five year start on half the people in our set."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

At the Traps

By PETER P. CARNEY.

Editor National Sports Syndicate. Trapshooting is the king of sports. Of that we are sure. It is also the Sport of Kings. No error can be charged against us when we add that it is also the sport of governors, mayors and others who are important personages in the political and social life of this great country.

King George of England, King Alfonso of Spain, and King Victor Emmanuel of Italy are three of the monarchs of the Old World who are devotees of the "sport aluring." Nothing pleases them better than an afternoon before the traps. They have important business elsewhere at present.

We haven't much use for emperors or kings in this democratic country, but we have some fellows with us who are big guns in more ways than one. Teddy Roosevelt, for instance, is as big a man—anyway you look at it—as any one in the U. S. A., and he is about the greatest hunter of big game in the world.

"Teddy" is only one of our big men who shoot. The Hon. Mr. Roosevelt hasn't become affiliated with the Oyster Bay trapshooting club but he knows the benefits derived from outdoor exercise. Several governors of great commonwealths enjoy their leisure moments at the traps or in the field.

Just to prove how strong trapshooting and hunting in the field is with men in political life, it is worth mentioning that no less than twenty-five mayors of five American cities are members of gun clubs and take their turn at the traps in the club shoots and many times that number tramp the fields when the hunting season is on.

Some Mayors Are Good Shots.

Of the mayors and former city executives who are shooters, Thomas A. Marshall is the best known. Twice was Tom mayor of Keithsburg, Ill., and he could still hold the job if he would do the work. He also was a member of the Illinois House of Representatives for two terms. Marshall was the captain of the American trapshooting team which invaded England and Scotland 17 years ago and defeated the best shots of those shores.

Mr. Marshall, by the way, is the only shooter who has won the Grand American Handicap more than once. He won it twice—when five birds were hot at. His victories were in 1897 and 1899. In the former year he stood 28 yards and killed 25 birds without miss. In 1899 six others tied Marshall at 25 straight and then the championship was shot for by these six and cut. Marshall killed 33 birds straight in addition to the first 25. He hot from 29 yards.

Twin Falls, Idaho, boasts of a mayor who is a regular fellow. He is M. Sweeley. He is the trapshooting champion of Idaho. He represented that state in the amateur championship last year. Sweeley is a former Michigan fullback, an attorney and a live wire.

Charles A. Fleming, mayor of Spokane, Wash., broke 90 per cent. of the targets trapped for him in the shoot of the Northwest Sportsman's Association last summer and he holds his own in the tournaments along the Pacific Coast. So interested is mayor Fleming that he has had traps installed in the stadium and Spokane now has a municipal trapshooting club.

B. F. Duval, the mayor of Belleville, Ill., last spring tied for first honors in the Southern Trapshooting handicap at Memphis, Tenn., which places him in the front rank of shooters. George E. Smith, mayor of Los Angeles, Cal., is known to all shooters in the far west. He shoots at the traps quite often but is known best as a duck shooter. He has his own preserves and incidentally breeds game shot at the traps and in the field is William J. Robinson, mayor of Alameda. The mayor is a cripple and has to walk with a crutch, but that does not prevent him from bringing home plenty of game. His father was a great hot before him—having once won the wing shot championship of Canada.

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BIDS FOR COAL.

Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned until Monday, May 7, 1917, at 9 a. m. for coal, as follows:

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